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II. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following amended Abstract of the Disclosure, which is marked to show all changes made to the immediately prior version.

Methods and cement compositions are provided for sealing a subterranean zone penetrated by a wellbore, , wherein the <u>The</u> cement compositions are a mixture of at least one include cementitious material, a polymer emulsion that is at least one polar monomer and at least one clasticity-enhancing monomer, and a mixing fluid. The polymer emulsion includes at least one polar monomer and at least one clasticity enhancing monomer. Such cement compositions are placed into subterranean zones and allowed to set therein. Such methods provide favorable mechanical properties, such as Young's modulus, compressive strength and tensile strength to the cement compositions when set.